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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Ellingsen, *et al.*

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REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants request a one-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated January 7, 2002.

Enclosed is a check which covers the appropriate fee of **\$55.00** based on small entity status. Please charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. *A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.*

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